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In re Application of :  
BULA, Eric et al. :  
Application No.: 10/578,720 : DECISION  
PCT No.: PCT/GB04/03204 :  
Int. Filing Date: 23 July 2004 : ON PETITION UNDER  
Priority Date: 04 August 2003 :  
Docket No.: 442163/PALL : 37 CFR 1.137(b)  
For: SEPARATOR SYSTEMS :  
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Applicants' "Petition Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) to Revive an Unintentionally Abandoned Application," filed in the above-captioned application on 10 May 2006 is **GRANTED**.

Applicants state that "the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional," as required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3). The appropriate national fee and petition fee have been submitted. A terminal disclaimer is not required as the application was filed on or after 08 June 1995. Accordingly, all requirements under 37 CFR 1.137(b) have been satisfied.

A signed oath or declaration has not yet been submitted. The fee for late filing of the search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration will be charged to deposit account no. 12-1216, as authorized.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for continued processing in accordance with this decision, including the mailing of a Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b) is required.

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